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A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule.....	6	0.50
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....	7.50	0.75
C Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.....	10	1.00
D Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.....	10	1.10
E Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule.....	12	1.10
F Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....	14	1.25

CLARETS.

A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule.....	4	\$4.50
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C St. Julien, Red Capsule.....	7	7.50
D La Rose, Red Capsule.....	11	12.00

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A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule.....	13	\$1.20
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C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule.....	20	1.75
D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1875 Vintage, Red Capsule.....	30	2.50

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule.....	8	0.75
B Watson's Glenlivet, Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
C Watson's Abou-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
D Watson's H K D Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule.....	10	1.00
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule.....	12	1.10

IRISH WHISKY.

A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	12	1.10
D Genuine Bourbon Whisky, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name.....	10	1.00

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A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
B Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1892.

THE OPIUM FARM.

The Hongkong Government has in past years obtained about one fifth of its whole revenue from the opium trade, granting to the highest bidder the exclusive privilege of preparing opium and of selling it when prepared, for which a monthly rent is paid under a three years' contract. Thus, when Sir W. Robinson first met his Council for the transaction of public business, on Jan. 27, 1892, he found that opium had been estimated to yield during the year 1892, 1893, 1894, a total revenue of \$2,144,178; for 1891, the farm had paid \$437,000 out of \$2,019,186; and in other years the proportion was much the same.

In 1891, the Government sold 150 chests of opium, at a price of \$14,000 per chest, or \$2,100,000 in all. It is well known that the consumption in Hongkong is certainly not more than two or three chests per day at the outside; and it is equally well known what becomes of the rest. Of course, local consumption alone could never pay anything like the revenue required; a far more lucrative business is done in exporting to China, chiefly, duty free. The Chinese duty on opium is exceedingly high and smuggling is profitable in proportion. That, however, concerns nobody but the smugglers and the Imperial Maritime Customs. It does not concern the Hongkong Government in the least, and probably that is why the Hongkong Government meddles with it—on the principle that if you can't do your own work, you must spoil somebody else's. Whatever be the reason, the Hongkong Government has taken upon itself, without being bound by treaty or by any obligation in view of favours in return, to interfere between the Customs and the smugglers, and to protect China's revenue at the expense of its own. Knowing that Hongkong Opium Farmers always smuggle, our wisecracks continue to demand as revenue a large share of the proceeds, (for it must largely be the proceeds of smuggling) and yet try to put down the very traffic that raises those funds. They cannot realise the position at all. The position is simply that legitimate local sale of opium cannot raise more than \$7,500 monthly at the most. On the facts and figures, reckoning the actual sales at the opium divans in the Colony, it is found that the profit is never in any one month over \$8,000, and often much below that sum. The Government knows this well enough, and yet in cold blood calculated on getting \$39,800 per month. Knowing that some \$30,000 of this had to be made up out of smuggling profits, which are of course more easily to be got by the Farmer than by a private trader, the Hongkong Government was between two stools: either it had to be honest, and not connive at smuggling, and lose \$30,000 a month, or it had to be dishonest, pocket the money and say nothing. Being an unscrupulous and foolish Government, it tried to split the difference—to get the money, and to keep up appearances at the same time; so, gradually, the amount of raw opium which the farmer was allowed to import was reduced—in 1889 to 300 chests per month, and in 1891 to 150 per month—but all the same, \$39,800 was asked. In February, 1891, the Farmers found themselves unable to pay the rent punctually; the facilities afforded to the Customs by the establishment of a central office in Hongkong enabled them to put down smuggling more successfully, and the farm was losing money. Yet in face of this, Mr. MITCHELL-INNES, the genius who "forgot" perished in estimating \$38,900 per month for 1892 and following years. Difficulties became evident; new Ordinances were introduced, one to protect the farmer more effectively against the smuggling of opium into Hongkong, infringing on his monopoly; and the other to limit his covert business, by helping

the Customs. The first of these was the Prepared Opium Ordinance, and the second the Raw Opium Ordinance. The provisions of both were carefully drawn so as to make it appear that the Farm was to be made a more valuable property, in spite of the reduction in the amount allowed to be imported. Mr. MITCHELL-INNES was most assiduous in his attentions to the holder of the monopoly at that time; it was hoped that he might be induced to tender for the new Farm at possibly a higher and certainly not a lower rate than the one then current. Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN was carefully nursed by the Colonial Treasurer and Attorney General, who drummed into him the great advantages they were about to confer on the holder of the next three years' contract. His opinion was constantly asked, and every appearance of playing into his hands was kept up. This was necessary, to ensure that the forthcoming tenders should not fall below the previous ones. Counting on success in this little intrigue, our amateur Goschman and his legal assistant drafted the bills, altered and revised them to suit the wishes of Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN, made excuses and explanations to the Unofficials, and flattered themselves that the revenue was secured. Of several communications it is only necessary to reproduce one sample, which explains the position fully:—

"DEAR MR. KOH:—I should prefer to see you to-morrow morning if possible. I am constantly being asked by the Acting Governor whether you have agreed to the new Ordinances. I can only tell him that you have told me you agree, but that you have not yet, in spite of my repeated requests, signified the same to the Attorney General or the Crown Solicitor. I cannot help being surprised at this, as so many of your wishes were carried out when drafting the new Ordinances.

Yours truly,
N. G. MITCHELL-INNES.
Hongkong, December 4th, 1891.
But the wily Celestial fooled them magnificently. They fondly imagined they were playing him as they wished, while all the time he was just encouraging them and holding himself back on the safe side. The Bills were passed, the Farm was made as valuable as could be, at 150 chests per month—and then, "as a matter of form," tenders were invited. Of course Mr. KOH would repeat his tender of 1889, \$39,800 per month; of course, if any body else tendered higher, so much the better; and of course, if not, the \$39,800 was safe and the Estimates were not falsified. But of course Mr. KOH was not such a simpleton. He had got all he wanted, or rather all he could get, out of the Legislature; and now he had finished. He sent in no tender at all, though it is believed that he has a considerable interest in the syndicate which now runs the Farm. But judge of Mr. MITCHELL-INNES' surprise when he found the highest tender was \$2,144,178. Here was a pretty kettle of fish—Sir W. Robinson, only a month in the Colony, greeted by an over-estimate of \$14,000 in the revenue! The Colonial Treasurer had a bad quarter of an hour with the new Governor, who through all his pleasant manner has a way of putting things very straight. Smarting under well merited rebuke, Mr. MITCHELL-INNES proceeded to do his clumsy best to mend matters; he had put his foot in it, and now in trying to get out he only went deeper. For the original tenders included one of \$29,000 per month, or \$348,000 per year, which was the highest offered; not thinking this high enough, the time was extended and fresh tenders asked. No fresh ones were sent in, but just the same as before—except in one point; this \$29,000 tender was not this time accompanied by the deposit required as a guarantee of good faith, and thus, probably by an oversight, it was invalidated. The troglodytes of the Colonial Government regretted this, as it meant a loss of \$600 a month, \$7,200 a year, \$21,600 on the whole. Term; but they never thought of extending the time again, so as to rectify the oversight. Perhaps they thought the third time would be the worst, as it was with Tarquin and the Sibylline books. So they closed with the second best offer, now become the best, of \$28,400 per month, \$340,800 per annum. It will be interesting to watch the opium revenue a little more closely, in view of the prediction of the late Mr. P. RYER:—"This opium revenue will be taken away from us before very long. Exeter Hall will go, for us and get it abolished"—besides which, the Chinese grow their own opium more and more every year; and the smuggling from Hongkong may be stopped entirely. We have a lot of chickens not yet hatched!

TELEGRAMS.

THE CLOSING OF THE COLLIERIES.

LONDON, March 14th.

It is estimated that owing to the stoppage of work at the collieries there are four hundred thousand men unemployed. A number of factories are closing for want of coal.

ANARCHIST SCARE IN PARIS.

A scare has taken place in the wealthy quarters of Paris in consequence of the increase of outrages committed by the Anarchists.

CONTINUED SEVERE WEATHER.

There are continued severe snowstorms and terrific frosts in Great Britain and on the Continent.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM INDISPOSED.

The Emperor of Germany is confined to his bed suffering from a severe cold, but is progressing satisfactorily.

THE CLOSING OF THE COLLIERIES.

March 15th.

The effect of the miners' stoppage of work at the collieries is being widely felt. The railways are doing their work and reducing the number of trains.

TROUBLE IN AFRICA.

It is reported that the natives at Fort Johnston have attacked the African Lakes Company's expedition, wounding the leaders King and Watson, killing four blacks and capturing a gun.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OH!

We hear that a telegram has been received from Shanghai to-day stating that Mr. J. J. Keswick has gone to England.

WHAT'S the matter with the City Clock to-night?

P. C. McEWEEN accidentally shot himself in the hand last night while cleaning a revolver. The wound is not very serious.

An Emergency meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1165, E., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

TELEGRAPHIC advice has been received at Batavia that the Second Chamber of the Netherlands States General have passed, without a division, the convention with Britain regarding the boundary in Borneo. The Minister for Foreign Affairs and several members spoke in favour of the convention.

ELIPHALET HOWE, a New Englander, has invented an attachment for beehives whereby the honey is extracted, automatically, as it were, and without the need of knowledge. His idea is that the use of the device will result in a largely increased yield of honey. In this way Howe "does" the little busy bee.

MOTHER: "I'd like to know who this young man is you have engaged yourself to."
Daughter: "Oh, he comes of a splendid family."
"Does his family object to the match?"
"Yes."
"Then you may depend he's all right."

ANATOLE FRANCE, a shrewd observer, says: "The good critic is the one who tells the adventures of his mind amongst masterpieces. There is no more objective criticism than objective art, and those who flatter themselves they are putting anything other than themselves in their work are dupes of the most fallacious illusion."

A REPORT having been circulated that Si-Votha, brother of King Norodom of Cambodia, had died in the neighbourhood of the Upper Mekong, the *Progres de Saigon* says this is probably a deep-laid plot on the part of Si-Votha who is constantly scheming to undermine French influence and seize the throne himself.

PROF. SWEDBERG, of the University of Bonn, is a very absent-minded man. He was busily engaged in solving some scientific problem. The nurse hastily opened the door of his study and announced a great family event. "A little stranger has arrived." "Oh?" "It is a little boy." "Little boy! Well, ask him what he wants."

The Marine Officers' smoking concert which comes off at the Association's rooms at 18, Praya Central to-night promises to prove an enjoyable entertainment—a number of local amateurs and some professionals having come to the aid of a young Society which has already created a very favourable impression in this as in other parts of the world.

EVERYBODY knows that Chicago is not built upon a rock, but few know that the solid earth upon which the great city is built is only sixteen feet deep. Beneath that is a soft ooze, or semi-fluid mass, which is again followed by solid earth. It is suggested that if the city allows many more high buildings to be erected, the ground will sink, and the city will be ruined.

THE PHRASE, "According to Guter," remains in our language as a perpetual memory of Guter, the English mathematician, who was born in 1818 and died in 1826. Almost to the present time the works of Guter were considered standard. He was the inventor of the surveyor's chain, of the logarithmic line, of the quadrant, of the scale bearing his name, and anything in mathematics to be right must be "according to Guter."

MADAME Modjeska recently told a Philadelphia man that when she was acting she occasionally felt moved by the passion of her part, and added: "I always act worst when I feel most. Feeling is all very well in a way, but it should not dominate a part. Acting is, after all, a little bit of feeling added to a great deal of art. I can never feel Camille now without the tears rising involuntarily to my eyes, but they well up—they never roll down my cheeks."

ONCE, during the siege of Paris, Victor Hugo was entertaining a few of his friends. The great man, it must be confessed, was rather grandiose, and he had an immense opinion of his personal influence. Addressing his friends, he said, "I have an idea—I will go out alone, in the face of the enemy. I shall be shot. But at my death the siege will be finished." "Yes, as far as you're concerned," answered one of his guests somewhat irreverently.

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry will play the following programme in the square at Murray Barracks this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m.:—

Polo.....	"Polo-Bra".....	Cornet.....
Quadrille.....	"Olympia".....	Clarinet.....
Polka.....	"Val de Aisne".....	Flute.....
Schottische.....	"Cantata".....	Trumpet.....
Polka.....	"Zouave".....	Drum.....
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The following orders are issued to the Hongkong Volunteer Artillery, in connection with the mobilization scheme:—Monday, 5 to 7 p.m. head quarters will be open to enable members to see their kit; Tuesday, muster at head quarters at 6 p.m. Uniform blue serge and forage caps, over-coats to be carried rolled, haversacks, water bottles, side arms, carbines with sling and to be carried in blue S. A. A. in pouch. The detachments will be transported to Kowloon West battery and be on duty probably from 7 p.m. till 11 p.m. Members will bring their own rations, carried in their haversacks. This order unless altered by any subsequent express is to be attended to by all, irrespective of weather. All kits must be ready by Monday. Metal buttons etc., must be clean and bright.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

	Inward.	Outward.
Chingping.....	Steamer, from Tientsin.	
Vicor.....	" " " " " " " "	
Arila.....	" " " " " " " "	
Nanao.....	" " " " " " " "	
Laurit.....	" " " " " " " "	
Emeralda.....	" " " " " " " "	
Hylt.....	" " " " " " " "	
Aggregating 8,381 tons, register.		
Yarra.....	Steamer, for Shanghai.	
Dor.....	" " " " " " " "	
Halphong.....	" " " " " " " "	
Chusan.....	" " " " " " " "	
Libell.....	" " " " " " " "	
Fokien.....	" " " " " " " "	
Aih.....	" " " " " " " "	
Tahang.....	" " " " " " " "	
Mamut.....	" " " " " " " "	
Dora-Fortier.....	" " " " " " " "	
Croft.....	" " " " " " " "	
Colman.....	" " " " " " " "	
Almy.....	" " " " " " " "	
Aggregating 14,415 tons, register.		

SPEAKING of the new cow-milking machine, *Ariel* opines that "its use is likely to spread rapidly." But so is the machine also—if the cow takes it into her head, or rather into her feet, to object to the automatic milkmaid.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside vessels hoisting Code pennant C, between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

THE truth of this story is vouched for by a dramatic paper: An actor, who claims the reputation of being a great lady-killer, was relating his experience to another actor occupying the same dressing-room. Just then the dresser brought in a letter for him. The gay Lothario, after reading the missive, tore it in two pieces—which he incautiously threw on the floor—and exclaimed with a sigh: "Ah, poor girl; I never meant it!" The dresser, who was of a curious disposition, picked up the pieces and found that the note was merely a bill for the actor's washing.

At the regular meeting of "United" Lodge of M.M.M. No. 419, E.C., held on the 25th inst., Bro. John Bryant was installed Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. Wor. Bro. S. Mallory, being the installing Master, assisted by Wor. Bro. A. O. D. Gourdin, Wor. Bro. J. Bryant invested the following as office bearers:—

W. Master.....	W. Spafford.
J.W.....	W. C. H. Hastings.
M.O.....	W. Bevan.
S.O.....	J. A. Ingila.
J.O.....	W. Blidwood.
Chaplain.....	T. Moffatt.
Treasurer.....	R. Grimble.
Register of Marks.....	H. A. Scurace.
Secretary.....	J. White.
S.D.....	E. H. Moore.
D.C.....	A. R. Madar.
I.G.....	H. J. Watson.
Steward.....	J. Collett.
Tyler.....	J. Maxwell.

It will interest many who have made experiments in rearing English plants and flowers out here to know that a very good apple has been grown in Singapore by Mr. H. P. Cox. In November last that gentleman brought out with him from England some apple, pear, plum and cherry trees in tubs. They were fairly well grown, and bloomed on the way out, but most of the blossoms fell off. Some of the next lot of blossoms matured and six or seven apples are the result, one shown to us (says the *Free Press*) being a small but well favoured and fine flavoured specimen. The plants are kept in tubs and carefully shaded. They have rather followed the tendency of most European plants out here and run to leaf, but look quite healthy. The cherry-tree has come to nothing. It will be still more interesting to see if another crop is produced, and when; as the present time of the year, March, is one not usually producing apples. But it is possible the different climatic conditions deceived the plant, and probably the absence of the repose which winter at home furnishes, will prevent the plants continually thriving.

LABUK PLANTING CO., LIMITED.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in this Company was held to-day, for the purpose of considering the financial statement of the Company for the year ending 31st December 1891, and of electing directors and auditors for the ensuing year.

The Chairman, Mr. J. H. Cox, said: "The financial statement of the Company for the year ending 31st December 1891, shows a profit of £1,000, which is a very good result, considering the difficulties of the year. The Company has been very successful in its operations, and has been able to pay dividends to the shareholders." The Chairman then moved a resolution that the financial statement be adopted, and that Mr. J. H. Cox be elected director and auditor for the ensuing year.

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Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—131 per cent. prem., sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £500. paid up, 26 1/2 per cent. div., sellers.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$200 per share, sales.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$2 per share, buyers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$200 per share, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—2 1/2 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1885 E—14 per cent. premium.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$39 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$56 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 255 per share, sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$102 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—\$108, nominal.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$28 1/2 per share, ex div., sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$24 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$34 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—30 per share, sellers.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—27 1/2 per cent. discount, sales and sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$35 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$77 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$16 per share, sales and buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$101.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$38 per share, buyers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Shamen Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, nominal.
 Funjion and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$1 per share, sales and sellers.
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sales and buyers.
 Imuhing Co., Limited—\$7 per share, buyers.
 The Hualong Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.
 Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—\$290 per share, buyers.
 The Jeelub Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$50 per share, buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—20 cents per share, sales and buyers.
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$3, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$129 per share, sellers.
 Luron Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$45 per share, nominal.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, buyers.
 Crutcherbank & Co., Limited—\$10 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$12 1/2 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Kwong Lok Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales and sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$64 per share, sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$22 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sales.
 The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.
 H. C. Brown & Co., Limited—\$35 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$50 per share, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$105 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$71 per share, sellers.
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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malwa*, with the English mail of the 26th ultimo, left Singapore on the 22nd instant at 4 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The O. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Belgit*, with the American mail of the 1st instant, left Yokohama the 23rd at daylight, and may be expected here on or about the 28th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The Canadian Pacific Railway Steamship Co.'s steamer *Empress of China*, from Vancouver, left Yokohama on the morning of the 25th instant for Kobe, Shanghai, and Hongkong.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
 The steamer *Yapan*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 23rd instant, and may be expected here on the 30th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ventura* left Singapore on the 20th instant, and may be expected here to-morrow.
 The D. D. R. steamer *Hesperia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 20th instant, and is due here to-morrow.

The steamer *Glenish*, from London, left Singapore on the evening of the 22nd instant, and is due here on the 29th.
 The Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Thetis*, from Trieste, left Singapore on the 22nd instant at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 29th.

The China Shipper's Mutual S. N. Co.'s steamer *Oanfa*, from London and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on the 31st.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Aden* left Bombay on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on the 3rd proximo.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Biagna* left Bombay on the 15th instant, and is due here on the 3rd proximo.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Malacca* left London on the 2nd instant.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
 CHINGPING, Chinese steamer, 525, H. Crowle, 25th March.—Tientsin 17th March, General.—C. E. & M. Co.
 VELOX, German steamer, 616, H. Johansen, 26th March.—Saigon 20th March, Rice.—Wiel & Co.

DEPARTURES.
 March 25, *Yarra*, French str., for Shanghai.
 March 26, *Triumph*, German steamer, for Hongkong.
 March 26, *Liberty*, British steamer, for Saigon.
 March 26, *Orantes*, British str., for Singapore.
 March 26, *Dora Fortier*, British steamer, for Kutchinotia.
 March 26, *Menmuir*, British steamer, for Port Darwin, &c.
 March 26, *Venezia*, German steamer, for Shanghai, &c.
 March 26, *Fushun*, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

PARSONS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Albia*, str., from Sydney, &c., for Hongkong—Lord Onslow, Mr. & Mrs. Wainwright, Mr. & Mrs. Jose Ferreira, and 3 children, Mr. & Mrs. Madia Santos, and 3 children, Rev. J. H. H. Trickett, Mr. & Mrs. Dale, Mr. & Mrs. Charles, 2 children and nurse, Mr. & Mrs. Deollette, Captain and Mrs. Watson, Miss Ellis, Messrs. Norman Russell, McMillan, Oscar Rowe, and Lamm.
 Per *Laertes*, str., from Liverpool, &c.—Rev. J. Pitt, and 240 Chinese.
 Per *Namoa*, str., from Foochow, &c.—Mrs. and Miss Wainwright, Mr. Tong Wah, 1 European and 122 Chinese.
 Per *Emeralda*, str., from Manila.—Messrs. J. W. L. Ruppenger, and 51 Chinese.
 Per *Dutrois*, str., from Saigon.—55 Chinese.
 Per *Thordale*, str., from Singapore.—50 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
 Per *Yarra*, str., for Shanghai from Hongkong—Mrs. Norton, Mrs. N. Suberland, Miss Parker, Messrs. Todd, Tucker, Reid, E. Cross, Wai Yang Sam, A. H. Hewitt, Guei Ping Yung, S. Walker, H. Boettel, and Baron de Herman. For Kobe.—Messrs. Baldwin, Muller, and Boulanger. For Yokohama.—Captain and Mrs. H. Hutton, Misses E. Mackenzie (2), Messrs. H. Mackenzie, Werner Naef, R. Behrens, and Baron A. de Gunzburg. From Marseilles for Shanghai.—Mr. & Mrs. Creagh, Mrs. and Miss Hart, Mrs. Scott, Messrs. Higgins, Campbell, Bony, Fale, Dicks, James, and MacKenzie. From Alexandria.—Messrs. Panoff and Poff. From Colombo.—Mr. Jaeger. From Singapore.—Mr. Banks. From Saigon.—Mr. Nesigama, Mr. and Mrs. Savy, and Mr. Nakagawa. From Marseilles for Yokohama.—Consul-General S. Leds, Miss Hunter, Miss Myers, Messrs. Nimoyia, and Sorokin. From Singapore.—Mr. Charles and son, Mr. Wilkinson, and Colonel Wilbraham. From Saigon.—Mr. Campagne.

REPORTS.
 The British steamship *Thordale* reports that she left Singapore on the 17th instant. Had strong north-east winds and sea with very strong southerly currents.

The British steamship *Laertes* reports that she from Liverpool, and Singapore on the 25th instant. Had moderate north-east winds and fine weather from port to port.

The Chinese steamship *Chingping* reports that she left Tientsin on the 17th instant. Had strong variable winds to Chapel Island; thence north-east winds to Hongkong.

The British steamship *Emeralda* reports that she left Manila on the 24th instant. Had variable winds and fine weather. From 25th to arrival in port had strong to fresh north-east winds, cloudy and overcast weather with drizzling rain at intervals, accompanied with heavy north-east swell.

The British steamship *Namoa* reports that she left Foochow on the 23rd instant. Experienced strong north-east breeze, overcast and stormy weather to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 24th, and Swatow on the 25th. From Amoy to Swatow similar weather. From Swatow to port had light northerly wind and overcast sky. In Foochow the steamship *Hesperia*, in Amoy the steamships *Glenish* and *Gluckstadt*. In Swatow the steamships *Taiwan* and *Para Chula Chom Kiao*.

The British steamship *Ataria* reports that she left Sydney on the 2nd instant, Moreton Bay on the 4th, Townsville on the 7th, Cooktown on the 8th, Thursday Island on the 11th, Port Darwin on the 14th, and Dell on the 18th. Arrived here this morning. Experienced fresh south-east winds and high sea to Moreton Bay; thence had light north-easterly winds and fine weather to Thursday Island. Had light variable winds and calms across the Gulf of Carpentaria to Port Darwin. Fine weather was met with, with moderate west and north-westerly winds to Cabra Island. Strong monsoon and high sea across the China Sea.

POST OFFICE.
 A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Hobow and Bangkok.—Per *Chusan* to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 8.30 A.M.
 For Hobow and Halphong.—Per *Halphong* to-morrow, the 27th instant, at 9 A.M.
 For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Brindisi* on Monday, the 28th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Saigon.—Per *Prospetto* on Monday, the 28th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Shanghai.—Per *Ly-ao-moon* on Monday, the 28th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
 For San Francisco.—Per *Romulus* on Monday, the 28th instant, at 4.30 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG
STEAMERS.
 ASK, Danish steamer, 632, Revabock, 24th March.—Halphong, and Hobow 23rd March, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, J. C. Gerard, 8th Feb.—Manila 5th February, General.—Shewan & Co.
 BENALDER, British steamer, 2265, C. K. McIntosh, R.N.R., 21st March.—Saigon 15th March, Rice and General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 BERENICE, Austrian steamer, 1740, P. Mens, 21st March.—Shanghai 18th March, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
 BRINDISI, British steamer, 2120, E. Street, 25th March.—Shanghai 21st March, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 CHURAN, German steamer, 623, W. Wendt, 23rd March.—Bangkok 14th March, Rice.—Melchers & Co.
 ELAN, German steamer, 747, M. Jensep, 23rd March.—Touane 20th March, General.—Wiel & Co.
 EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3003, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 7th March.—Vancouver 14th Feb., and Yokohama 20th, General.—C. P. Railway Steamship Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 177, Captain McIsaac, —Hongkong Government tender.
 FOKKEN, British steamer, 500, W. Davis, 25th March.—Swatow 24th March, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
 HADHONG, French steamer, 874, Fauran, 24th March.—Halphong 20th March, and Hobow 22nd, General.—Messageries Maritimes.
 KUTSANG, British str., 1495, W. Hall Jackson, 23rd March.—Calcutta 5th March, Penang 12th, and Singapore 16th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 MONTANES, Spanish steamer, 222, Valentin Vener, 16th March.—Manila 12th March, Bala-Order.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stapan, —Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 ROMULUS, German steamer, 1750, W. Bernd, 8th March.—Nagasaki 4th March, Bala.—Stemmen & Co.
 TAICHOW, British steamer, 862, R. Unsworth, 24th March.—Sourabaya, and Java 15th March, Sugar.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 TAIKANG, British steamer, 1501, H. Hogg, 25th March.—Swatow 24th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 THALES, British steamer, 820, J. Lewis, 22nd March.—Taiwan 17th March, Amoy 18th, and Swatow 21st, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
 TORRINGTON, British steamer, 1563, Geo. R. Berwick, and Feb.—Hamburg, 24th March 31st January, Coal and General.—Doddwell, Carroll & Co.
 PROSPERO, British steamer, 1587, Perrand, 24th March.—Saigon 14th March, Rice.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 WINGANG, British steamer, 1577, A. de St. Croix, Feb.—Calcutta 5th Feb., Penang 8th Feb., and Singapore 12th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.
 AL ORBY, British bark, 1400, Fraser, 13th March.—Cardiff 20th September, Coal.—Order.
 ALTAIR, British barque, 399, T. Munro, 24th March.—Singapore 22nd January, Timber.—Wiles & Co.
 COLOMA, American bark, 870, C. M. Moyes, 20th Jan.—Portland, Oregon 31st Oct., Spars and Lumber.
 DARRA, British barque, 945, Brown, 20th Feb.—Calcutta.
 DOROTHY, British barque, 310, Angus Croft, 21st Feb.—Calcutta 31st January, Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 GOV. ROBE, American ship, 1627, A. Nichols, 20th Nov.—New York 7th July, Kerosine Oil.—Order.
 IMACOS, Norwegian barque, 377, L. Olsen, 9th March.—Singapore 21st January, Timber.—China.
 JENNIE HARKNESS, American bark, 1505, F. W. Amshury, 17th March.—New York 17th Sept., Kerosine Oil.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 J. WESLEY, German bark, 2701, G. Schmieders, 17th March.—Jalut Marine Islands via Yap 3rd Feb, General.—Stemmen & Co.
 JOSEPHUS, American ship, 1490, Smithwick, 25th Jan.—New York 14th August, Kerosine Oil.—Order.
 NIDOWA, British bark, 504, T. Noels, 25th March.—Bangkok 15th Feb, General.—Wiel & Co.
 PAPA, German barque, 724, F. W. Thum, 10th Feb.—Hamburg 19th Sept, General.—Stemmen & Co.
 WM. H. SMITH, American ship, 1508, R. B. Brown, 16th March.—New York 14th Oct, Kerosine Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.


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AN APOLOGY.
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 I BEG to express through your columns my deep regret that I should in a hasty moment, in consequence of my not being able to read or understand Chinese accounts, have commenced a prosecution against Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN, the chief manager of the late Opium Farm, with reference to the funds of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE. A complete investigation into the matter and a careful examination of the books and accounts have thoroughly convinced me that my suspicions were wholly groundless, and that there has been nothing whatever in Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN'S management of the business of the OPIUM FARM that in any way reprehensible; and further, that he has all along been doing his best, honestly and faithfully, for the benefit of the CHEANG TEK KONG SEE.
 I should be obliged if you would insert this letter in your correspondence column once, and afterwards as an advertisement for the period of one month, as I am anxious to undo as far as possible any injury I may have, through my hasty and unjustifiable action, inflicted upon Mr. KOH CHENG SEAN.
 Yours truly,
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St. Paul, Minn.	315	472	550
Buffalo, N.Y.	320	479	557
Kingston, Ottawa, Ont., Montreal, Quebec, Can.	325	486	564
New York, Albany, Troy, Rochester, N.Y.	330	493	571
Baltimore, Md., Philadelphia, Pa.	335	500	578
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